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## The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, AUGUST 7, 1906.

## SUGAR REFINING INDUSTRY.

The gloomy forecast, which the chairman of the China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd., had to hold out to the meeting of shareholders last March, had considerably damped the enthusiasm of a large number of investors in the stocks of what must be considered the leading industry of the Colony. The selling aside of eight hundred thousand dollars to provide for forward commitments in view of an adverse market, was a contingency, such as none had expected but which had given cause for considerable alarm in the earlier months of the year. That the provision was called for the then outlook of the sugar market of the world justified the extreme step as a financial measure of precaution. According to expert statistics of the world's sugar supplies an enormously larger area had been placed under cultivation in the beet growing countries of Europe. The crop had been an inordinately bountiful one and the consequence was that with a large supply of beet at hand in Europe and the correspondingly lower prices ruling, the demand for cane sugar slackened and prices fell in consequence. The campaign for the year was not at the time finally determined. Spring results were awaited before it could be finally settled what would be the progress of the sugar market in the Farther East. Fortunately for sugar merchants and refiners, contrary to all expectations, the result of the later crops fell short of anticipations while the growing demand for the commodity

continued unabated. Following the laws of supply and demand the downward course in the price of raw cane was promptly arrested, and a reaction gradually set in which has since steadily sent up prices far above the average ruling for some time and allowing, in fact, for a fair margin of profit to merchants and dealers who, in averaging their purchases between the two extreme rates that had obtained, found themselves in the comfortable position of gainers by their timely and, as it proved to be, successful operations. Indeed, if our information does not err, at one time it paid Hongkong to export the raw cane sugar to European markets even without passing the product through the mills. Now that the refined article commands a favourable price in Eastern markets it goes without saying that the wonted activity at the East Point and Quarry Bay refineries has been resumed. Japan at no remote past was also considered a determining factor in the prosperity of the great industry of our island. It will have to be reckoned with in the future; but the reverses of one of its leading refineries give courage to the locally managed concerns. The result of the half-year for the Japan Sugar Refining Company of Osaka has been most unsatisfactory, showing a deficit of over ¥180,000. The unfavourable sugar market is responsible, so it is said, for the loss. It has been decided that the special reserve, amounting to ¥250,000, shall be drawn upon to make good the deficit and to pay a dividend at the rate of 8 per cent. The total amount of losses on the working for the half-year just ended has been ¥201,342.

At the half-yearly general meeting of the Osaka company, the most heated debate ensued on the report. Mr. Mōshita, a shareholder, opened the proceedings with a motion to appoint a committee to investigate the report and accounts. The speaker thought it strange that the company, which for many years had earned such large profits, should have lost so heavily in six months. The motion was followed by an animated debate, and finally the Chairman suggested that the meeting be adjourned a fortnight, and in the meantime that the accounts be carefully examined by shareholders before approval. This suggestion was adopted. It has been stated that Japanese competition in the sugar trade must be reckoned with in the same way as in other branches of commerce. To appreciate the determination our allies intend to exercise in order not to be left behind in the race for commercial supremacy, we need only cite the fact that the Dairi Sugar Refining Company has decided to increase the capital by ¥1,000,000, as also has the Osaka Refining Company. It is reported that the Osaka company is to establish a branch in Formosa. A refining company is being floated in Yokohama with a capital of ¥2,500,000, and the shares are now on the market. A proposal is on foot among capitalists of Osaka and Tokio to establish a refinery in Formosa with a capital of ¥1,000,000, and another company will probably be formed in Nagoya. It is probable that greater Japanese competition will have to be faced in the future than in the past, but we have confidence enough in the administrative abilities of the local companies to express the conviction that, given a fair field and no favour, Hongkong can hold its own against any competitor.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The following details left per s.s. *Cheong Shing* on the 3rd instant, for duty in North China—Supply and Transport Corps: One agent, one weighman, one poon, and two coolies. Indian Sub-Medical Dept.: Two hospital assistants.

CHAN Fuk Yeung, a shopkeeper, of Cheung Chai, appeared this morning, before Mr. F. A. Hazelland, charged with selling two bottles of *simha*, on the 1st instant, without a permit. Evidence was heard and his Worship imposed a penalty of \$200.

HARRY Mitchell, an overseer, at Quarry Bay, was charged before Mr. F. A. Hazelland, at the Magistracy this morning, with stealing a towel and a book, valued at \$3.50, from a European house in Arsenal Street, on 17th July last. The charge was proved and accused was bound over in the sum of \$100 to come up for judgment when called.

THE explosion of a kerosene hanging lamp was the cause of the fire which broke out in a cigarette shop at top, Des Vaux Road Central, at one o'clock this morning. The fire brigade, in charge of Mr. P. J. Wodhouse, arrived on the scene before the flames had got far, and the fire was extinguished. The damage done to the woodwork of the shop is estimated at \$50.

JAPANESE papers report that a man who describes himself as Sugaya Tamen, a Paymaster in the Navy, is endeavouring to fraudulently obtain money by representing that he has been asked by the authorities concerned to collect funds for the monument to be built on Peiyushan, Port Arthur, in accordance with the proposals of Admiral Togo and General Nogai. The foreign Japanese communities are warned to be on their guard against this impostor.

## GOVERNOR NATHAN AT MACAO.

## SOCIÉDADE HARMONIA'S TENNIS PARTY.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Macao, 6th August.  
Sir Matthew Nathan, Governor of Hongkong, and suite, arrived here on Saturday afternoon by the tender *Stanley* and put up at the Hoa Vista hotel during their two-day stay in this Colony. The members of the Tennis Harmonia Club gave a *soirée* on Saturday evening on the Club grounds at which Sir Matthew and his party attended. The visitors did not remain long, but dancing was kept up until the small hours of the following morning. Senhor Montene, Governor of Macao, and Madame Montenegro held a tennis party at their summer residence at "Flora" in honour of the Governor of Hongkong. The party was largely attended.

## THE ROYAL HONGKONG GOLF CLUB.

The monthly competitions for the Captain's Cup and May Cup were held at Happy Valley on the 4th to 6th August, 1906. The following were the results:

CAPTAIN'S CUP.	
Mr. G. E. H. Beavis	77+1=78
Staff Payr. H. G. Wilson, R.N.	93-15=78
Mr. J. Clark	83-1=79
Mr. C. M. G. Burnie	78+2=80
Mr. K. Miller	93-10=83
Mr. H. W. Slade	95-12=83
Mr. F. W. Ware	95-12=83
Mr. C. H. Gale	98-15=83
Mr. W. C. D. Turner	97-11=85
Mr. T. C. Gray	96-9=87
Mr. J. C. Steen	104-17=87

(28 entries).

## MAY CUP.

Mr. H. H. Gompertz	102-25=77
Mr. R. M. Crose	94-15=79
Surg. L. A. Batts, R.N.	99-20=79
Mr. A. Morley	110-30=80
Mr. R. E. O. Bird	108-23=85

(11 entries).

## POOL.

Staff Payr. H. G. Wilson, R.N.	92-15=77
Mr. C. E. H. Beavis	77+1=78
Mr. C. M. G. Burnie	77+2=79
Mr. J. Clark	80-1=79
Mr. E. J. Grist	83-4=79
Mr. F. W. Ware	91-12=79
Surg. L. A. Batts, R.N.	99-18=81
Mr. K. Miller	93-10=83
Mr. C. H. Gale	98-15=83
Mr. F. C. Steen	96-9=87
Mr. J. C. Steen	104-17=87

(42 entries).

Tie for Captain's Cup.

Winner of May Cup.

Winner of Pool.

The next competition will be held at Happy Valley from the 11th to 13th August, for the Robertson Farewell Cup.

## LENDOR &amp; GUARANTOR.

In Original Jurisdiction this morning, his Honour Sir Francis Pigott, Chief Justice, presiding, Mr. George Andrew Hastings, trustee of the Yue Fat Bank, sue I Lau Wai Chuen, late compradore of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank in two actions, consolidated, for the recovery of the sums of \$2,000 and \$3,000, respectively, for which defendant became guarantor.

Mr. H. G. Callhrop, instructed by Mr. G. A. Hastings, appeared for the plaintiff, Mr. W. W. Slade, instructed by Mr. R. F. C. Master, of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master, appearing for the defendant.

On the case being called, Mr. Slade said he was instructed to consent to judgment, but asked for a stay of execution.

Mr. Callhrop moved for judgment with immediate execution.

Judgment for plaintiffs with costs.

ALFRED Harris and E. Etherington, both of the West Kent Regiment, got into trouble last night for brushing up too hard against a European policeman in Queen's Road Central and leaving his right optic discoloured and swollen. Both men were arrested, Harris being charged with obstructing a policeman and Etherington with assaulting him. Yesterday afternoon a richika coolie complained to the policeman that a civilian had refused to pay his fare. While the conversation was going on the defendants came out of the Rose, Shamrock and Thistle tavern. The officer alleged that both men approached him and when they got close enough Harris bumped against him. Then Etherington lashed out and caught him with his fist on the right eye, rolling him over like a nine-pin. A *lukong* saw what was going on and with the assistance of the European officer had both men removed to the station. They came before Mr. Gompertz this morning and denied the charges. Etherington alleged that he was stung by a blow on the ear received from the complainant. His Worship found them guilty and fined Harris \$5 and Etherington \$20.

## THE WEATHER.

The following report is from Mr. F. G. Figg, First Assistant of the Hongkong Observatory.—On the 7th at 11.30 a.m.—The barometer has fallen in Japan, and risen over China, particularly in the North.

The depression has passed into the W. part of the Sea of Japan. It continues to move towards E.

Pressure is highest over the China Sea. It still exceeds the normal by 0.1 inch over the S. Coast of China, and is in defect by about 0.1 inch in N. China and Japan. In the Philippines it has decreased slightly, to near the average.

Gradients are gentle over the China Sea, and light variable winds are indicated over that area.

## SANITARY BOARD.

The fortnightly meeting of the Sanitary Board was held in the Board room this afternoon, the usual members being present, when the following was the business transacted.

## NEW WESTERN MARKET.

The following letter from the Hon. the Colonial Secretary, regarding the completion of the New Market for the Western district, was read:—

Colonial Secretary's Office,

22nd July, 1906.

Sir,—I am directed to inform you, for the information of the Sanitary Board, that the New Western Market has been completed, and has been established by His Excellency the Governor-in-Council as a New Market. A notification to that effect was published in the *Government Gazette* on the 21st July, 1906.—I have, etc.

(Sd.) T. SERCOMBE SMITH,

Colonial Secretary.

## GOVERNMENT ON RAY DESTRUCTION.

The following letter from Government, relative to the sulphur dioxide as applied to the destruction of rats, and in disinfection on ship-board, was read:—

Colonial Secretary's Office,

7th July, 1906.

Sir,—I am directed to transmit for the information of the Sanitary Board, a copy of a general despatch, with enclosures in original, from the Secretary of State for the Colonies on the subject of experiments on sulphur dioxide as applied to the destruction of rats, and disinfection on board ship.—I have, etc.

(Sd.) T. SERCOMBE SMITH,

Colonial Secretary.

## The Secretary, Sanitary Board.

[Enclosures.]

Lowning Street,

11th June, 1906.

Sir,—I have the honour to transmit to you for your information, with reference to my predecessor's despatch, "General," of 6th February, 1905, the papers noted in the subjoined schedule.—I have, etc.

(Sd.) ELGIN.

## The Officer Administering

The Government of Hongkong.

The report of the Local Government Board on further experiments with sulphur dioxide by Mr. John Wade, D.S.C., was enclosed.

On this the Medical Officer of Health said he had gone through the report of Dr. Wade, and saw no reason to alter his previously expressed opinion as to the usefulness of the Clayton apparatus. He had said before that in a ship it is quite possible to render the holds, cabins, saloons, etc., reasonably air-tight without much trouble. The Clayton gas being heavier than air might easily be retained at a high percentage for many hours in the compartments of ships. It did not follow, however, that this method would be equally successful in Chinese tenement houses. It took nearly two days to close up Government House when they fumigated it in 1903, and he considered it would be practically impossible to close Chinese tenement houses, so as to render them sufficiently gas-tight to get results comparable to those mentioned in the report. Moreover, rats cannot escape from a ship when holds are battened down and ventilators closed. With Chinese tenement houses, with hollow walls, and ceilings, it is absurd to think that the rats would not have means of escape into the numerous retaining walls and soil decomposed granite on which the city is built. It was necessary to consider the question of disinfecting Chinese tenement houses, and which floors should be disinfected first—the top or the bottom. All floors of the houses cannot be done at once, unless holes are cut in the floors, similar to hatches on board ship, the stair-cases not being a sufficient means of filling the upper storeys from below upwards. Experiments on board ship afford no help, as the conditions are so different from those in Chinese tenement houses. The gas should be allowed to act for at least two hours, if they were to do one room at a time, but it would be better for six hours to enable it to penetrate to every material part. He did not think it possible for men to enter any part of the house while it was being disinfected, unless they had divers' helmets, on account of the dissemination of the gas from every crevice, as well as through the floors and stair-cases, as the latter were never water-tight, much less air-tight. He considered the experiments of Professor Simpson furnished no evidence of the usefulness of the Clayton method as far as Chinese houses were concerned, though it was useful in the case of ships, but, as pointed out by Dr. Haldane, a considerable difference in the issues might be expected on the question of disinfecting ships before or after the cargo was discharged; but seeing that rats can leave the ship with the cargo, it would be better to disinfect the loaded ship. He knew from personal experience that the effects of the disinfection on rats in an empty ship were extremely valuable, while Dr. Haldane had said that unless carried on with more than usual care the results were not so satisfactory in a loaded ship. Professor Simpson, in his report, had stated that the exact nature of the combinations in this gas had not been determined, but the fact remained that the Clayton Gas was capable of killing vermin and pathogenic bacteria when acting in sufficient strength of the gas, on goods, fittings, etc. It did not affect enamel paint, the surface being too hard to permit of penetration and consequent discolouration; it turned zinc-white yellow. Bedding etc., after fumigation, acquired an odour of sulphurated hydrogen; soap is absolutely destroyed if exposed to the gas in a moist condition. Whether a cargo of ordinary soap would be similarly destroyed, seeing that soap always contains a fair quantity of moisture, was a question that required serious consideration, or heavy damages might one day be claimed for a destroyed cargo. On the whole he was in favour of adopting the Clayton process for use in the harbour, as the weight of evidence was much in favour of its usefulness, but was not yet in favour of its sphere of usefulness being extended to Chinese houses in Hongkong.

## INSPECTION OF FOOD.

A minute by the Colonial Veterinary Surgeon relative to the authority of the senior inspectors to visit all shops and houses, and cook rooms used for the storing or preparation for sale of all foods intended for human consumption, in which he requested that the authority be extended to the Inspector of Markets and the Inspector of Cattle Depots and Slaughter-houses.

## DEPOSITING MANURE.

A letter from Government was read in which it was stated that His Excellency the Governor had approved of the site near the Bay in New Kowloon being used for the deposit of manure from the animal depots at Kennedy Town.

Mr. Humphreys inquired: Why was this brought before the Board at all if the recommendation of the Board is to be ignored?

The Captain Superintendent of Police asked what was referred to.

## ESTIMATES FOR 1907.

The following further letter from Government, relative to the estimates for 1907, was read:—

Colonial Secretary's Office,

26th July, 1906.

Sir,—I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter No. 15, dated 13th inst., submitting resolutions adopted by the majority of the Sanitary Board. With regard to the first of these resolutions, I am directed to inform you that His Excellency is satisfied that the work done by the Sanitary Staff under the Building Authority, in connection with the sanitary condition of buildings, and is such as falls within the duties of Sanitary inspectors in England. It has been suggested to His Excellency that section 230 of the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, with which should be read section 21 of the Amending Ordinance of the same year, should be amended so as to authorize the Sanitary Board to deal directly, in respect of all buildings which are or have been occupied for domestic purposes, with certain matters now dealt with by the notice or letter from the Secretary, "pro the Building Authority." This suggestion will receive consideration when the Ordinance comes to be amended. In the meantime His Excellency does not consider it would be convenient or advisable to split up the salaries of certain officers between the votes for two departments; an arrangement, moreover, which would effect no saving to the public. With regard to the second suggestion, His Excellency, after consultation with the Principal Civil Medical Officer and Registrar-General, has directed the insertion in the estimates of an item of \$2,000 as a "Grant-in-aid of Chinese Plague Hospital," the grant to be made on the condition that these hospitals are under similar Government supervision as the Tung Wa Hospital, and that the amount actually to be paid from it will not exceed the expenditure incurred on the hospitals.—I have, etc.

(Sd.) T. SERCOMBE SMITH,

Colonial Secretary.

## NEW CATHOLIC CEMETERY.

An application was submitted by his Lordship Bishop Pizzoni, for a grant of land on the north side of the harbour for a new Catholic cemetery, as in many of the villages there are Catholic Chinese, and also Portuguese, and their number is yearly increasing, and under present conditions funeral expenses are very great.

Mr. Shelton Hooper inquired: I certainly think in view of the large and increasing population of Kowloon that cemeteries should be provided for Protestants and Roman Catholics.

Hon Mr. E. A. Hewett inquired: As stated on a former occasion I consider that a site should be set aside for cemeteries for all non-Chinese communities.

## THE WATER SUPPLY.

The Government Analyst submitted a report on samples of water taken from various wells in the City and in Kowloon, all of which he found of excellent quality.

## NEW PIER SITES.

At the offices of the Public Works Department this afternoon the rights of erecting and maintaining two temporary Piers over Crown foreshore were sold by public auction. The first was the right with regard to the Crown foreshore in front of Waterloo Road, Yau-mai, the Pier there to be 75 feet, by 13 feet, the term being one year, and the upset price \$250.

This right was, after somewhat keen competition, secured by Mr. Li Shun Fan, for \$500, but just double the upset price.

The second right sold was that in regard to the Crown foreshore opposite Marine lot 83, East of Kowloon, the Pier to be 50 feet by ten feet, carrying a Crown rent of \$5. The upset price was \$50.

Messrs Chun Yik and Co. became the purchasers of this right for \$260, or \$20 above upset price.

## HILL BROKING IN SHANGHAI.

At the meeting of the Shanghai exchange and bullion brokers to which we referred in our last issue, Mr. Marcus Wolfe occupied the chair; and in the course of the proceedings it transpired that the members of the Shanghai Stock Exchange, in having an office of their own, and appointing a secretary, the real man elected to fill that position being Mr. E. R. Hooper, who is about the latest who has commenced work "on the road." It was stated that there were altogether twenty-eight exchange and bullion brokers, so it is not surprising that the gentlemen included in the muster should be anxious as regards prospective increases in their number. At the same time the fact remains that some few brokers are able to make a princely income, more even than is made by the heads of some of the most important firms here; and, in addition to this they have not the worry of fluctuations in the various markets for merchandise; they are their own masters, and every Bank holiday and mail afternoon they have for their own leisure, which they are in a position to enjoy in the way that suits them best. So far they have had nothing to complain about, and the only wonder is that they have been able to preserve to their professional the enviable character of a close corporation for so long.—*Shanghai Times*.

## TELEGRAM.

## "HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" SERVICE.

## HUNGHUIZE ACTIVITY.

## SUPPRESSION PLANNED.

## GENERAL OSHIMA'S INSTRUCTIONS.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Shanghai, 7th August,

12.10 p.m.

General Oshima has received instructions to take prompt measures to suppress the Hunghuize activity at Linotung.

## A PLOT THAT FAILED.

## A FAITHFUL COOK.

At the instance of Inspector Collett, at the Magistracy this morning, two bad characters were brought before Mr. F. A. Hazelland, charged with being in unlawful possession of three knives without permits. The men denied the charge. According to the evidence heard the defendants were aware that the master of a seamen's boarding-house at No. 317, Des Vaux Road West was in the interior and that his wife had charge during his absence. On the 22nd instant accused went to the boarding-house and asked for the master. As they already expected they were told that he was away. They were invited into the house, and after a conversation they told the woman that they came to Hongkong purposely to see her husband and knowing no other person they would be glad if she would allow them to stay in the house until her husband's return, when they would settle matters. The woman was only too glad to do any service for them and told them to occupy a bed in the verandah. The bed of the assistant cook was also in the verandah. That very night while the cook was in bed he heard of the strangers say: "shall we start on her now?" The other replied: "No, don't. That fellow over there (meaning the cook) is awake."

The cook suspecting that some plot was being hatched between the men got up and kept awake the whole night to the discomfort of the two strangers, who told him to go to bed on several occasions. The men then quarrelled with the boy. Soon after daybreak the strangers left the house and the cook told his mistress of what he had overheard on the previous night. He took her into the verandah and found three ugly-looking butchers' knives. The police were informed and the weapons handed over to them. Some hours later the strangers returned to the house again, and the first thing they did was to make for the verandah. They hunted for the knives and finding them gone they took fright and ran away. They were arrested later. The police were therefore unable to file a more serious charge against the accused owing to the absence of evidence. His Worship found the men guilty of being in possession of weapons and fined each man \$100, or six weeks' hard labour. They will be banished after the expiration of their term of imprisonment.

## AMOI NOTES.

[From a Correspondent.]

Amoy, 2nd August, 1906.

The Italian cruiser *Calabria* arrived here on the 31st July, and will make a short stay here. The Amoy residents are looking forward to hearing the fine band this boat is reputed to carry.

## CRICKET.

A very enjoyable game of cricket was played yesterday between the Amoy Customs Club and the Kulangau Lawn Tennis and Cricket Club. The game, which should have started at 3 p.m., did not begin till 4.40 p.m. owing to some of the latter Club's men not turning up. The Customs Club won the toss and elected to bat. A very good opening was effected by Messrs. Deeks and Simpson, and both men played very well. When the score was 66 Simpson put up a "skier" and was caught in the deep field. His innings of 33 was completed by very steady play. The second wicket (Komaroff) raised the score to 107 when Komaroff was out to a simple catch. Deeks was 61 not out, played a very pretty game and received a pleasant reception on his return to the pavilion. The Customs Club now declared their innings closed (107 for 2 wickets). The Kulangau Club, with about an hour and a half to bat, made a poor start against the bowling of Simpson and Deeks. At 6.45 p.m. stumps were drawn for the Kulangau Club, having scored 67 for 7 wickets. The game was therefore drawn very much in favour of the Customs Club. A return match, to be played next Wednesday and Thursday afternoon, is eagerly looked forward to by both teams.

## DR. HORNE'S SUCCESSOR.

Dr. Churchill has succeeded Dr. H. Horne as medical officer to the China Mutual Assurance Co. Mr. H. Fisman replaces Mr. F. Eadie in the same company.

## SHIPPING AND MAILS.

## MALES DEPT.

English (*Malala*) 9th inst. 6 a.m.  
Indian (*Gregory Apar*) 10th inst.  
German (*Sachsen*) 14th inst.  
Canadian (*Empress of India*) 14th inst.  
German (*Prinz Regent Luitpold*) 14th inst.  
Indian (*Lutian*) 16th inst.  
German (*Prinz Waldemar*) 27th inst.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s s.s. *Banca* left Singapore for this port on 6th inst. at 8 a.m.



## TELEGRAMS.

[Ruler's.]

## Parliament.

LONDON, 5th August.

Parliament has adjourned until the 23rd Oct.

## Russia.

There are now fifty-five organized strikes in St. Petersburg.

The railway strike is postponed.

A mutiny has broken out at Dushlagar in Transcaucasia, where the troops fired volleys on their officers, of whom six were killed and four wounded.

## THE FLOUR MILLS.

CLAIM FOR WORK DONE.

In Summary Jurisdiction, this morning, His Honour Mr. A. G. Wise, Puisne Judge, presiding, the Kung Tai firm of No. 13, Pokfulam Street, scaffolding makers, sued Lau Tak Yuen, of Cheung Kwan O village, New Territory, managing partner of the Kam Tak On firm, contractors, for recovery of the sum of \$242.56, money due by defendant to plaintiff for work done, and goods sold and delivered.

Mr. R. A. Harding appeared for the plaintiff, defendant appearing in person.

Mr. Harding said this was a claim for certain contract work done in the New Territory on Mr. A. H. Rennie's land, and the defendant had received \$3,300 on account of the work, and as he was the managing partner of the Kam Tak On firm he was made defendant.

His Honour: Call up the defendant and ask him if he owes the money, or rather if the firm owes it.

Defendant: Yes, the firm owes the money.

His Honour: Are you a partner in the firm?

Defendant: Yes, I own a three-tenths share in the firm.

Complainant, called and sworn, said he was a contractor, and had arranged for certain sea-beach reclamation work in the New Territory. He made the contract for this work with the defendant and was paid in part by the defendant. The balance due was \$242.56, and though he had repeatedly applied for payment he was constantly put off.

A copy of the contract was put in, and plaintiff swore to the copy on it as being that of the defendant's firm.

Defendant said he had nothing to say, but he must admit he was a partner in the Kam Tak On firm.

His Honour: Then you must pay the lot.

Defendant: How can your Lordship hold me liable? I only hold a share.

His Honour: There is no such thing as limited partnership here. You made the arrangements and you chopped the contract. Call one of your partners and let us hear what he has to say.

Kwai Tak Hing said he was a partner in the firm and explained how the name of the firm was arrived at. He admitted that there was a balance of \$242.56 due to the plaintiff, by defendant. The latter had received \$3,300, but had only accounted for \$3,050.

His Honour: Then he must pay up, and he can sue his co-partners for contribution. There must be judgment with costs for the plaintiff with immediate execution.

## THE BOYCOTT HERO.

ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION AT CANTON.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Canton, 6th August.

The 3rd inst., being the anniversary of the death of Fung Ha Wai, the boycott hero, thousands of people, men and women, belonging to the various schools, colleges and societies, assembled at the Hoi Tong Monastery, for the purpose of commemorating the anniversary of the death of the martyr to the boycott movement. At the same time a petition, which was drawn up praying the Viceroy to release Messrs. Ma, Pan, and Ha, who were members of the Boycott Association, was handed round the assembly for signatures. These three gentlemen were taken prisoners last year for the alleged instigation of the people to continue the boycott. Thousands of signatures were subscribed to the petition, which will be presented to the Viceroy.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

[We do not necessarily endorse the opinions expressed by correspondents in this column.]

## THE POLICE SALARIES.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG TELEGRAPH."

Sir,—Whilst in the precincts of the Police Court yesterday I managed to overhear what I call a very good cause for complaint. There were several policemen conversing over the high rate of exchange. It was stated by one man that when he came to Hongkong he received \$105 per month; now after three years' service although he had got a £10 a year rise he only received \$86 per month or \$10 less. They still had to pay the same for the necessities of life and that they found that their scanty supply of dollars was insufficient to meet their needs, and that a part of their next month's wages was mortgaged. I think that the pay of our police is a very poor one. Young men are enticed out from their homes on the offer of £100 a year, that sounds a lot. But when the men arrive here they find that the few dollars they get will not meet their requirements and do not wish to remain in the force, as for example there are at the present time as many as four or five men either resigned or applying to be transferred to other departments as the money they get is insufficient. There is no likelihood of one knowing when the dollar will fall. I should suggest that the Government of Hongkong could well spend a few hours in seeing into this little matter and in the near future pay the police army of our Colony a substantial wage and make our police force second to none in the Far East.—Yours, etc.,

## AN ADMIRER OF POLICE.

Hongkong, 7th August, 1906.

## ALLEGED EMBEZZLEMENT.

CHINESE MERCHANT ON TRIAL.

This afternoon, before Mr. F. A. Hazeland, at the Police Court, Ng Kai Shek, formerly manager and partner in the Chung Shun paper firm, of No. 66, Bonham Strand East, was brought up on remand charged with embezzling, with one Ng Sing Sam, the absconded second manager, the funds of the firm. At the last hearing the charge preferred against the defendant was for embezzling \$4,000, but now that the books have been examined the charge was altered this afternoon. It is now alleged that he, between the 16th June and 29th July, embezzled the sum of \$5,665.86, the property of the firm.

The accused pleaded not guilty.

Mr. F. C. Barlow, of Messrs. Goldring and Barlow, prosecuted, the defendant was represented by Mr. G. K. Hall-Bratton, of Messrs. Bratton and Hett, and Inspector Smith watched the case for the police.

Mr. Barlow, in outlining the facts of the case, said that the defendant and Ng Sing Sam were brothers, the latter having absconded one hour before the warrant could be served. The Chung Shun firm has been established now for fourteen years, and when it was first started there were fourteen partners. The defendant and his brother were the sons of the largest shareholder in the firm and during their father's life time they were employees of the firm. The old man died some years ago and the defendant and his brother took charge of the business and carried it on until recently. The men knew nothing of conducting a business but following the Chinese custom they allowed the brothers to manage the business simply because their father was a big shareholder. Since their father's death the firm has paid no dividend, although it was known that the business was a prosperous one. One shareholder pressed the accused for a dividend and obtained \$500. The two brothers, as evidence will be called to show, collected monies of the firm and converted it for their own use, and in consequence of the large sum embezzled the firm was insolvent.

At this stage Mr. Barlow proposed to call witnesses for the prosecution, but Mr. Bratton applied for a remand, contending that on the last occasion the charge against his client was for embezzling \$4,000, now he understood it had been considerably increased. He wanted an adjournment to look into the matter. The other party had no objection to the remand, but when Mr. Bratton applied for bail, Mr. Barlow strongly objected.

The case was adjourned for one week.

## THE CHELOO NAVAL TRAGEDY.

LIEUT. ENGLAND KILLED.

The naval tragedy at Cheloo was reported by special telegram in the *Hongkong Telegraph* last week. From the *Cheloo Daily News*, of 28th ult., we gather the following particulars of the sad accident: A distressing accident by which Lieutenant Clarence England, navigating officer of the U.S. cruiser *Chattanooga* lost his life, occurred yesterday morning shortly before 11 o'clock. From all accounts it appears that the *Chattanooga* was under way for the target range just outside the harbour. To get from her anchorage to the target range she was obliged to traverse a course along the line of the French squadron. The two squadrons are anchored in parallel lines at the entrance of the harbour, and the *Chattanooga* being one of the ships farthest away from the range, found it necessary to pass down the line of vessels between the two squadrons.

The *Dupetit Thours* of the French squadron, at the time the *Chattanooga* weighed anchor, was engaged in small arms (rifle) practice from the decks of the ship, the objective of her crew's fire being small targets anchored a few hundred yards away from the vessel's side. The fire was directed away from the inner harbour where the merchant shipping lies, but unfortunately toward the line of American ships which are not at a great distance away. The *Chattanooga* on passing the *Dupetit Thours*, and after having her side hit three or four times with ricochet or direct fire bullets, whistled to the French man to let her know that the *Chattanooga* was in danger. The warning came too late, however. Before the *Chattanooga* was out of rifle range, Lieutenant England, who was on the bridge, had been hit.

The injured man called to those surrounding him, and it was found that he had been severely wounded, a bullet having entered the lower portion of his back and emerged from a position just under the arm. The wounded officer failed to realize at first what had occurred, calling to the quartermaster, "What has hit me?" "I think you have been hit by a bullet," was the reply, as the officer reeled, weakened by the shock. "I know it was a bullet," quickly added the quartermaster, as the oozing blood confirmed the fears of those who surrounded their navigator.

The *Chattanooga* was quickly put about and surgeons summoned from the ships of the squadron. All medical attendance possible was given Lieutenant England as he lay during the afternoon on the quarter deck of his ship. The commanding officer of the French squadron tendered every assistance, accompanied with regrets for the accident, but at a late hour in the afternoon life was despaired of. The patient was delirious at times, but bore up bravely, though the opinions of the surgeons were not consoling to his brother-officers and the men of the ship. It was stated that if he survived the wound he would be permanently paralyzed. The portion of the body below the wound was in a state of paralysis immediately after the bullet had done its work.

The *Daily News* was unable to get a statement from the surgeons during the afternoon as to the nature of the wound, it being difficult to get into communication with them.

Later, Lieutenant England, the wounded officer of *Chattanooga*, died at ten minutes after six o'clock last night. The deceased officer's home is in the state of Arkansas. Arrangements were under way last night for the preparation of the body for shipment home.

## CANTON BOAT THIEVES.

GROCER'S FOKI ROBBED.

Leung Yung, a *foki*, employed in a grocer's shop at Aberdeen, was a passenger on board the steamer *Kwongchow*, which arrived here early this morning from Canton. Leung, who had been for some weeks in the interior, was returning to his business last night when he was robbed by some scoundrels on board. He was taking his meals on board and three other passengers, who occupied a place alongside Leung, tried to draw him into a conversation. Leung was out in a conversational mood so after his dinner he took off his coat, put it by his side, and went to sleep. When he awoke he felt for his coat to get his watch but found that the time-piece had disappeared, although the silver chain, to which was attached the watch, was still there. He made another search of his coat to see if he had made a mistake and placed it in the wrong pocket, thinking at the time that if it were stolen the thief would have taken the chain too, but search where he would he could not find the watch. During his search he found that his purse containing \$6 odd had also vanished. He threw a glance at the three men near him and as they were to all outward appearances asleep, the *foki* kept his eye on them. One of the trio then opened one eye and looked at the *foki*, who was watching him all the time, and as their eyes met, the cooie emitted a groan and turned over on his side to make believe that he was asleep, and the watch rolled out of his coat. The cooie finding that the game was up would not return the watch to the owner, but threw it into the hold. During the row one of the trio disappeared and was never captured, nor was the *foki's* \$6 odd recovered. When the vessel arrived at her wharf the men were taken to the Station, and at the Magistrate's today the man who allowed the watch to slip out of his pocket was sentenced to twenty-one days' hard labour and six hours' stocks. The other was released.

## THE LATE GENERAL KODAMA.

EMPEROR'S SYMPATHY.

THE FUNERAL.

The *Japan Chronicle*, of July 29, says:—On Friday morning, Viscount Hironishi, an Imperial Chamberlain, acting under Imperial command, paid a visit to the family of the late General Kodama, and presented the following address:—"The deceased joined the military service at an early age, and long held important offices, which he so successfully and diligently administered. In directing the administration of the newly-acquired territory he achieved great success, while in military service he rendered distinguished strategic service. Now that he is dead, his Majesty mourns his loss, and has specially directed that funds be granted for the funeral, and condole with the bereaved family."

Their Majesties the Emperor and Empress have granted the sum of ¥5,000 towards the funeral expenses, with the customary gifts of two pieces of white silk and a stand of sweetmeats, fruits, etc., as a tribute to the memory of the deceased.

His Majesty has also granted a sum of ¥3,000 out of the Privy Purse to the family of the deceased General in recognition of the distinguished service rendered by him to the country.

On Friday morning General Terauchi, Minister for War, on behalf of the relatives of the late General Kodama, waited on their Majesties at the Imperial Palace, and tendered thanks for the gifts their Majesties had made to the bereaved family.

Mr. Tsuruhara, Director of General Affairs in the Residency-General in Korea, on behalf of the high officials in the Residency-General, has sent an address of condolence to the family of the late General.

The officials and people of Formosa decided to hold Buddhist services at Taipei in memory of General Kodama yesterday, the day of his funeral.

The funeral of the remains of General Kodama took place yesterday morning at the Aoyama Par-de-ground. The route taken by the cortege was crowded with spectators, although steady rain was falling. The funeral procession was headed by cavalry, followed by the band of the Toyama Military College. The guard of honour, coming next, consisted of two battalions of the Imperial Guards under the command of Lieutenant-Colonel Oba. High priests, and priests followed, and after these a banner carried aloft by men which bore an inscription of the titles, name, and decorations of the deceased General.

The chief mourner, Mr. Kodama, son and heir of the deceased, carried a tablet in memory of his father. He was followed by an incense burner, and then the coffin on a gun carriage. By the side of the coffin walked Generals Okawa, Ohshima, Nogai, Kuraki, Ishimoto, and two soldiers who attended General Kodama in Manchuria. Behind the coffin followed the General's favourite charger "Maximu." There were also in the procession relatives and friends, and a battalion of guards brought up the rear.

An immense gathering was assembled in the Parade-ground. Imperial Princes, the Marshals of the Army, statesmen, and every person of note were present.

The *Rosita Maru*, chartered by the *Asahi* for the excursion which it has organised to Manchuria and Korea, as previously reported in these columns, left Yokohama at 11 a.m. on the 25th ult. Previous to her departure she was fully dressed and a band played several selections. The passengers number four hundred, many of whom are journalists, school teachers, traders and students. The steamer will visit several western ports of Japan, and the coasts of Korea and Liaotung, the final destination being Port Arthur. The voyage will take about a month.

## CANTON HOTELS AND LODGING-HOUSES.

REGISTRATION PROMULGATED.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Canton, 6th August.

A few days ago, the head of the Police Department of Canton issued a notice ordering all hotel keepers, public house keepers and lodging-house keepers to register their houses and obtain their licence numbers. Registration has been decided upon in order to check the practice of harbouring undesirable. At the same time a set of regulations was also promulgated under which boarders staying at hotels are required to register their names on admission.

Another notice was also issued stating that coolies are to be registered before they are allowed to carry goods for people. If these regulations are properly enforced, they will reflect great credit on the authorities of the Police Department and will be a great benefit to the people by discouraging the residence and employment of evil characters in the city.

## THE SUN-NING MAGISTRATE.

Wei-yuen Tam Sau Kwan, of the Education Department of Canton, has been appointed to be the Sun-ning magistrate. Tam's nomination is due to a recognition of his merit on account of the marked ability which distinguished his term of office in the education department.

## INTERPORT CRICKET.

Cricketers in Shanghai have been sadly handicapped this season by bad weather, writes the *Local Times*. Since the summer began, in fact, it has either been raining towards the end of every week, or whenever play has not been actually prevented by a downpour occurring at the time appointed for the matches, the ground has been so sodden, and the atmosphere so charged with moisture, so hot and so oppressive, that anything like first-class form has been impossible of attainment. Under these circumstances, for the credit of Shanghai's sporting reputation, it is to be fervently hoped that the powers above, who arrange these things, will grant us an alleviation of the disadvantages under which we have been labouring for the past couple of months, and that a marked improvement in the weather will take place between this and October, so that our wretched of the willow may have an opportunity of real, solid practice in preparation for the great cricket carnival which is then to take place in Shanghai. Our readers have been aware for some time past of the existence of a desire in local cricketing circles to induce a team to come here from Hongkong, and if possible, another from Tientsin, to play a series of interport matches; and it is satisfactory now to learn that Mr. Barham, the hon. secretary of the Shanghai Cricket Club, has just received a most welcome telegram from his "opposite number," as our Naval friends would say, in Hongkong, in answer to a challenge from the S.C.C. The Hongkong official wires as follows:—"Accept invitation with pleasure. Please wire dates. Not earlier than first week in October.—Lowe." So Mr. Barham has telegraphed down to Hongkong agreeing to the date suggested by Mr. Lowe, and if the Tientsin cricketers can muster up a team to send here about the same time, Shanghai ought to be the scene of a series of memorable contests, about the pleasant season of the year when cricketers, in common with the rest of the animate creation, show signs of recovering from the exhausting heats of summer, and the leaves begin to fall.

## To-day's Advertisements.

## NOTICE.

MR. H. D. NORONHA having left our employment, the public is hereby notified that we are not responsible for any order given by him in our name.

Hongkong, 7th August, 1906. [814]

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## THE JAPAN SUGAR REFINING COMPANY.

VERNACULAR PRESS COMMENT.

The difference between the Board of Directors and the shareholders of the Japan Sugar Refining Company, of Osaka, is awakening public attention, as it involves the important question of the standing of Japanese business companies. The *Osaka Asahi* observes that the point in dispute is not the trifle it may seem. The company is one of the three most important sugar-refining companies in Japan, standing with the Tokyo Sugar Refining Company and the Dai-ichi establishment. The *Osaka Asahi* points out that, while the Tokio and Dai-ichi firms have cleared a good profit for the half-year just ended, the Osaka company lost heavily—over ¥200,000. It is natural that the shareholders should begin to feel some doubt as to the good management of the company. At the general meeting on the 25th instant a shareholder moved that a committee be appointed to examine the accounts of the company, and the motion obtained hearty support. This is practically a vote of no confidence in the Board of Directors. The meeting was adjourned for a fortnight to allow the shareholders to thoroughly examine the accounts, and meanwhile the indignation of the shareholders is growing stronger.

In conclusion, the *Asahi* advises the Board of Directors to resign without delay if they are unable to do better business, and advises the shareholders to make concessions and settle the difference, if any extenuating circumstances are found in favour of the Board.

## COMMERCIAL.

TO-DAY'S INTELLIGENCE.

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## TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE.

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London—Bank T.T. .... 2/1 1/2  
Do. demand ..... 2/1 5/10  
Do. 4 months' sight ..... 2/1 9/16  
France—Bank T.T. .... 2/0 4/4  
America—Bank T.T. .... 2/1 1/2  
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India T.T. .... 15/7 1/2  
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Singapore T.T. .... 10/5 prem.  
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30 days' sight San Francisco & New York ..... 3/4  
1 month's sight do. .... 3/4  
10 days' sight Sydney and Melbourne ..... 2/1 15/6  
4 months' sight France ..... 2/0 4/4  
1 month's sight do. .... 2/0 4/4  
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## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED, TO-MORROW, (WEDNESDAY), the 8th August, 1906, at 11 A.M., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Voeux Road, corner of Ice House Street, ABOUT 500 BUCK SUITS.

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